Security
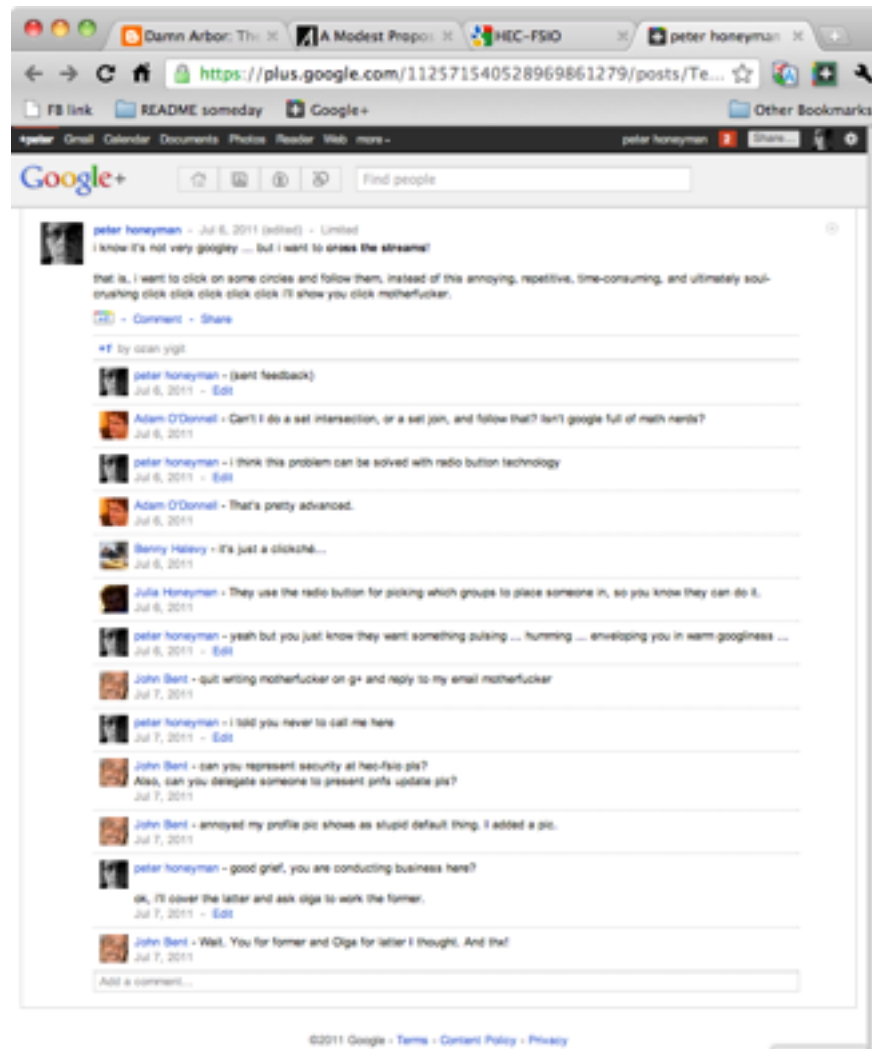
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Important business ...

... without boundaries

John Bent - quit writing ▬▬▬▬ on g+ and reply to my email ▬▬
Jul 7, 2011

peter honeyman - i told you never to call me here
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John Bent - can you represent security at hec-fsio pls?
Also, can you delegate someone to present pnfs update pls?
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peter honeyman - good grief, you are conducting business here?

ok, i'll cover the latter and ask olga to work the former.
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John Bent - Wait. You for former and Olga for latter I thought. And thx!
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My research insecurity

- Click to add text
  - Thanks a lot, Dr. Bent

Early NFS security

- IP address-based authentication for mounting

- RPC security flavors

  - AUTH_NONE

    - Null credential

  - AUTH_SYS

    - Trusted client

- Easily guessed file handles

NFSv3 security

- Random initial generation number

- AUTH_DES / AUTH_DH

- AUTH_KERB4

  - Not widely supported

- NFSv4 brought along RPCSEC_GSS for NFSv3

- Network name issues

NFSv4 security

- GSS-API the ultimate RPC security flavor

  - Kerberos V mandatory

  - PK FAIL

    - PKInit helps some, PKU2U has some fans

    - NFSv4 security w/o Kerberos? I doubt it.

- ACLs: NFSv4 vs. POSIX vs. Microsoft

NFSv4.1 security

- Sessions

  - Avoids conflict between multiple users and exactly-once semantics

- State protection with SSV

  - Avoids problems with multiple users when no machine cred

- Back channel (callback) protection

pNFS security

- File: not much difference

- Object: much difference

- Block: what's the difference?

Labeled NFS

- Client attaches security attribute of the requesting subject

  - RPCSEC_GSS.v3 protocol change

- Object labels

  - NFSv4.2 protocol change

  - Store as **`recommended attribute`**

    - **`named attribute`** not atomically set on creation, stored as FS object itself

Labeled NFS

- Opaque object label is attached at creation (OPEN, CREATE)

- Callback for label change notification

- Added to NFSv4.2 charter

- Might play a role in provenance tracking

Some challenges

- Key management

  - Plutus (FAST '03) is clever and fast

- GSS scaling in large clusters

  - E.g., 10,000 storage servers want Kerberos tickets ...

- Credential translation and management

  - Complementary security assertions in PK and Kerberos